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PETITION FOR FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated November 26, 2003, be extended for five months to and including June 26, 2004.

Enclosed is a check for \$1005 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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